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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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**Notice of National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska Oil and Gas Lease Sale 2015 and
Notice of Availability of the Detailed Statement of Sale for Oil and Gas Lease Sale
2015 in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Alaska State Office hereby notifies the public it will hold a National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska oil and gas lease sale bid opening for tracts in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska. The United States reserves the right to withdraw any tract from this sale prior to issuance of a written acceptance of a bid.

DATES: The oil and gas lease sale bid opening will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2015. Sealed bids must be received by 4 p.m., Monday, November 16, 2015.

ADDRESSES: The oil and gas lease sale bids will be opened at the Anchorage Federal Building, Denali Room (fourth floor), 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, AK. Sealed bids must be sent to Carol Taylor (AK932), BLM-Alaska State Office; 222 West 7th

Avenue, #13; Anchorage, AK 99513-7504.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Svejnoha, 907-271-4407.

Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Alaska State Office, under the authority of 43 CFR 3131.4-1(a), hereby notifies the public it will hold a National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska oil and gas lease sale bid opening for tracts in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska.

All bids must be submitted by sealed bid in accordance with the provisions identified in the Detailed Statement of Sale. They must be received at the BLM Alaska State Office, ATTN: Carol Taylor (AK932); 222 West 7th Avenue, #13; Anchorage, AK 99513-7504; no later than 4:00 p.m., Monday, November 16, 2015.

The Detailed Statement of Sale for the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska Oil and Gas Lease Sale 2015 will be available to the public immediately after publication of this Notice in the Federal Register. The Detailed Statement may be obtained from the BLM Alaska Web site at www.blm.gov/ak, or by request from the Public Information Center, BLM Alaska State Office; 222 West 7th Avenue, #13; Anchorage, AK 99513-7504; telephone 907-271-5960. The Detailed Statement of Sale will include a description of the areas to be offered for lease, the lease terms, conditions, special stipulations, required operating procedures, and how and where to submit bids.

AUTHORITY: 43 CFR 3131.4-1 and 43 U.S.C. 1733 and 1740

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